

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of MENDRICK *et al.*

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For: MOLECULAR HEPATOTOXICITY MODELING

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper responds to the Restriction Requirement dated September 7, 2007. A two-month extension of time is hereby requested, making this paper timely filed by December 7, 2007.

In response to the Requirement at page 3 of the Office Action, Applicants elect Group I without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims to the non-elected subject matter in one or more divisional applications.

As to the Restriction as it relates to sequences, summarized at pages 1 and 2 of the Office Action, this Restriction was discussed in a telephonic interview on October 26, 2007, for which an Examiner's interview Summary has been received, and for which Applicant's Interview Summary is being filed herewith. It was agreed during the interview that any 10 genes corresponding to the sequences listed in Tables 5A-5WWW has been elected.

The Examiners' time in conducting the interview and clarifying the record for the Applicants was greatly appreciated.


Please charge the fee for a two-month extension of time to Deposit Account 50-1283.
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